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1. DURING JANUARY 31 FEBRUARY 2 VISIT TO SHENYANG, USLO OFFICER OBSERVED A PROVINCIAL DENUNCIATION OF "UNDERGROUND" ECONOMIC ACTIVITIES, SOME WALL POSTERS CRITICIZING AN ORGANIZATION'S ACTIVITIES IN THE ANTI-CONFUCIUS CAMPAIGN, AND NUMEROUS SLOGANS SUPPORTING THE EMULATION OF HSIAO CHIN CHUNG, THE TIENTSIN MODEL PRODUCTION BRIGADE ASSOCIATION WITH CHIANG CHING.

2. A PRINTED ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE LIAONING PROVINCIAL REVOLUTIONARY COMMITTEE DATED NOVEMBER 20, 1974 CALLED FOR A RESOLUTE ATTACK ON : A) UNDERGROUND FACTORIES (TI HSIA KUNG CHANG); B) UNDERGROUND TRANSPORTATION; AND C) UNDERGROUND STORES (SHOPS). THE ANNOUNCEMENT ALSO ATTACKED PEOPLE WHO

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SOLD WAR MATERIALS. IN PREFACING THESE CALLS FOR ATTACKS

ON VARIOUS EVILS, THE ANNOUNCEMENT SAID THERE HAD BEEN A SHARP STRUGGLE BETWEEN THE CAPITALIST AND SOCIALIST LINES IN THE ECONOMIC SPHERE AND STRONG MEASURES WERE NEEDED TO CONTROL THE MARKETS, STABILIZE PRICES AND CURB RUMOR MONGERING.

3. WALL POSTERS DATED DECEMBER 25, 1974 AND JANUARY 14, 1975 WERE PLASTERED ON THE SHENYANG MUNICIPAL COAL AND OIL CO. THEY CRITICIZED THE COMPANY'S PARTY COMMITTEE FOR NOT CARRYING OUT THE ANTI-LIN, ANTI-CONFUCIUS CAMPAIGN AND NOT BEING OPEN AND ABOVE BOARD, BUT INSTEAD CARRYING OUT "BLACK SCHEMES" WITH RESPECT TO THE "BETTER TROOPS AND SIMPLER ADMINISTRATION" CAMPAIGN.

4. THROUGHOUT SHENYANG THERE WERE PINK STRIPS WITH BLACK LETTERING CALLING FOR STUDY OF HSIAO CHIN CHUANG'S USE OF MAO'S THOUGHTS TO OCCUPY THE FORWARD BASE IN THOUGHT AND CULTURE. USLO OFFICER ALSO SAW ONE OF THESE AT THE NO. 53 COMMUNE NORTHEAST OF SHENYANG AND ASKED THE PARTY CHAIRMAN WHAT IT WAS ALL ABOUT.. THE CHAIRMAN GLOWINGLY SAID HSIAO CHIN CHUANG WAS THE MODEL TO BE STUDIED AS AN ADVANCED BASE OF MAO THOUGHT APPLIED TO BOTH THEORETICAL AND CULTURAL FIELDS. HE SAID THAT IN ADVANCING MAO'S REVOLUTIONARY LINE HSIAO CHIN CHUANG WOULD PREVENT THE SLIDE INTO REVISIONISM. AGAIN EMPHASIZING THE POINT ON REVISIONISM, HE CONTINUED THAT NO MATTER HOW SOCIALIST THE ECONOMIC BASE, THINKING HAD TO CONSTANTLY BE REVOLUTIONIZED AND SOCIALIZED ALONG THE LINES OF THIS MODEL OR OTHERWISE ONE WOULD FALL INTO THE PIT OF REVISIONISM LIKE THE SOVIET UNION. (HONG KONG 12426 AND 12659 (1974) REPORT A LIAONING PROVINCIAL CONFERENCE EMULATING THIS MODEL PRODUCTION BRIGADE ASSOCIATED WITH CHIANG CHING.)

5. OLD POSTERS DATED SEPTEMBER 10 AND 14, 1974 CRITICIZING LIAONING REVOLUTIONARY COMMITTEE VICE CHAIRMAN LI PO-CHIU AS A "516 ELEMENT" AND PEKING MILITARY REGION COMMANDER CHEN HSI-LIEN FOR CARRYING OUT PARTY POLICY WITH A TWO-FACED ATTITUDE DURING HIS TIME AS LIAONING REVOLUTIONARY COMMITTEE AND PARTY CHIEF COULD STILL BE SEEN UNDER FRESH POSTERS HAILING THE FOURTH NATIONAL PEOPLE'S CONGRESS AND THE SECOND PLENUM. USLO OFFICER'S CHINA TRAVEL SERVICE GUIDE SAID LIAONING HAD NOT HAD A REVOLUTIONARY COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN SINCE CHEN LEFT FOR PEKING.

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6. JUDGINB BY THE RESIDUE OF SLOGANS, PAPER, AND FLAGS, THE NATIONAL PEOPLE'S CONGRESS APPEARS TO HAVE CAUSED MORE OF A STIR IN SHENYANG THAN IN PEKING. THE GUIDE COMMENTED THAT THERE HAD BEEN CELEBRATIONS AND FIRECRACKERS THERE.

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